

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1 and 8, cancel claims 9 and 10 without prejudice, and add new claims 17 and 18 as follows.

The following Listing of Claims replaces all prior listings, or versions, of claims in the above-captioned application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An adjusting device for a valve drive of a combustion engine, comprising:

an electric motor; and

a gear unit connected to the electric motor, wherein the adjusting device is arranged in a housing that can be closed via a cover, whereby electrical conductor tracks are arranged in the housing to connect connection contacts of the electric motor and a position detecting device to a plug of the adjusting device, wherein a connection between the electrical conductor tracks and the connecting contacts of the electric motor is a frictional connection,

wherein the electrical conductor tracks include first conductor tracks and second conductor tracks comprising metal stampings that are connectable to the housing with interlocking positive engagement, and these stampings have a defined shape, whereby the conductor tracks are replaceable with the plug.

2. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein the electrical conductor tracks further comprise a perforation comb, and individual conductor tracks are connected via bridges, wherein each connection can be severed through a stamping process after the perforation comb has been placed in the housing.

3. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein respective first ends of the electrical conductor tracks lead to the plug in which the electrical conductor tracks lock with stamped-out locking projections or are coated with sprayed plastic.

4. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein respective first ends of the electrical conductor tracks lead to the plug and an electrical contact to pins of the plug is provided via a press connection.

5. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein respective second ends of the first conductor tracks providing contact to the motor are plugged into receptacle pockets of the housing, where the respective second ends provide a frictional connection to connecting lugs of the electric motor.

6. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according Claim 1, wherein respective second ends of the second conductor tracks provide contact to the position detecting device and are shaped so that a connection to the connection contacts of the position detecting device is provided by bracing the second ends of the second conductor tracks against a structural component of the position detecting device.

7. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 6, wherein the position detecting device is a potentiometer, and the respective second ends of the second conductor tracks providing contact to the potentiometer are shaped so that a connection to

arm tracks of the potentiometer is produced by bracing end pieces of the second ends of the second conductor tracks against a potentiometer circuit board.

8. (Currently Amended) An adjusting device according to Claim 2, wherein the electrical conductor tracks are fixed to the housing with ~~interlocking~~ positive engagement in the area of respective ends of the electrical conductor tracks and corresponding bridges.

9-10. (Cancelled).

11. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing adhesive is applied at at least one position of

- i. the electrical conductor tracks,
- ii. in the area of the connection between the pins of the plug and the electrical conductor tracks, or
- iii. the electrical conductor tracks and in the area of the connection between the pins of the plug and the electrical conductor tracks.

12. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 2, wherein respective first ends of the electrical conductor tracks lead to the plug in which the electrical conductor tracks lock with stamped-out locking projections or are coated with sprayed plastic.

13. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 2, wherein respective first ends of the electrical conductor tracks lead to the plug and an electrical contact to pins of the plug is provided via a press connection.

14. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing adhesive is applied at at least one position of the electrical conductor tracks.

15. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing adhesive is applied at at least one position of in the area of the connection between the pins of the plug and the electrical conductor tracks.

16. (Previously Presented) An adjusting device according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing adhesive is applied at at least one position of the electrical conductor tracks and in the area of the connection between the pins of the plug and the electrical conductor tracks.

17. (New) An adjusting device for a valve drive of a combustion engine, comprising:
an electric motor; and

a gear unit connected to the electric motor, wherein the adjusting device is arranged in a housing that can be closed via a cover, whereby electrical conductor tracks are arranged in the housing to connect connection contacts of the electric motor and a position detecting device to a plug of the adjusting device, wherein a connection between the electrical conductor tracks and the connecting contacts of the electric motor is a frictional connection,

wherein the electrical conductor tracks include first conductor tracks and second conductor tracks comprising metal stampings that are connectable to the housing with interlocking, and these stampings have a defined shape, whereby the conductor tracks are replaceable with the plug,

wherein the electrical conductor tracks further comprise a perforation comb, and individual conductor tracks are connected via bridges, wherein each connection can be

severed through a stamping process after the perforation comb has been placed in the housing,

wherein the electrical conductor tracks are fixed to the housing with interlocking in the area of respective ends of the electrical conductor tracks and corresponding bridges, and

wherein bridges of the perforation combs engage in recesses on the housing so as to provide interlocking connection.

18. (New) An adjusting device for a valve drive of a combustion engine, comprising:
an electric motor; and

a gear unit connected to the electric motor, wherein the adjusting device is arranged in a housing that can be closed via a cover, whereby electrical conductor tracks are arranged in the housing to connect connection contacts of the electric motor and a position detecting device to a plug of the adjusting device, wherein a connection between the electrical conductor tracks and the connecting contacts of the electric motor is a frictional connection,

wherein the electrical conductor tracks include first conductor tracks and second conductor tracks comprising metal stampings that are connectable to the housing with interlocking, and these stampings have a defined shape, whereby the conductor tracks are replaceable with the plug, and

wherein the interlocking connection takes place through hot caulking of projections of the housing on the electrical conductor tracks.